Brevard
Public
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**The School Board of Brevard County, Florida**
**2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32940**

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF MATERIALS

**DIRECTIONS**: This form shall be used to challenge instructional materials already adopted and in use in the classroom and/or other media material placed in the school's media center.

**Information Regarding Materials for Reconsideration**

Type of material: ☐ Book ☐ Video/DVD ☐ CD/MP3 ☐ Adopted Textbook ☐ Periodical
☐ Audio Book ☐ Other (please specify) e/book

Title of material: The Kite Runner
Author(s): Khaled Hosseini
Publisher/Producer:
~~Copyright date~~: ISBN 9781101217238

1. Section 1006.40(3)(d), Florida Statutes, requires that any materials purchased thereunder, must be:
   - ☒ Free of pornography and materials prohibited under § 847.012.
   - ☒ Suited to student needs and their ability to comprehend the material presented.
   - ☒ Appropriate for the grade level and age group for which the materials are used or made available.

   *Please select (above) which portion of the cited Florida Statute that you feel most captures your objection to the material.

2. What brought this material to your attention?
   A concerned parent

3. Did you examine the entire material? NO If not, what parts did you examine?
   See attached pages

4. Required -To what in the material do you object? (Please be specific -- cite pages, picture, film sequence, etc.)
   See attached pages

5. What do you feel might be the result of a student using this material?
   Normalizing rape, selling minors for sex, women being disrespected. Graphic, violent sex described.

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6. For what grade level group would you request reconsideration ? Check your choice(s).
   - ☒ K-2
   - ☒ 3-5
   - ☒ 6
   - ☒ 7-8
   - ☒ 9-10
   - ☒ 11-12
7. In your opinion, is there anything of value in this material?

   NO
8. Have you read any critical reviews of this material? If so, what? Please be specific.

   No
9. What would you like the school to do about this material? (Check your choice.)
   - ☐ Do not assign it to my child.
   - ☒ Withdraw it from all students in the identified grade level groups.
   - ☐ Other: (Please explain)
10. If this material is withdrawn, what material of the same subject and format would you suggest as a substitute?

    Any other countless books that are not harmful to minors and that do not go against Florida Statutes.

Requests for reconsideration can be received one of two ways. With option 1, the petitioner provides information for verification of residence and for communication purposes. Petitioners in option 1 will have the ability to present his/her concerns at the hearing. With option 2, the petitioner can submit anonymously but must submit in person for a district official to verify that the petitioner is a resident. The anonymous petitioner must also submit an email for communication purposes.

Option 1 for submission via email or in person See next page

**Requestor's Contact Information**

Requestor's Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Requestor's Address: _____
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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**Requestor's Signature** (Physical Signature Required) **Date**

Option 2 must submit in person

**Anonymous Submission**

Residence Check – by district official:

Official's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Petitioner's Email Address: Required lynn92596@gmail.com

**FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY:**

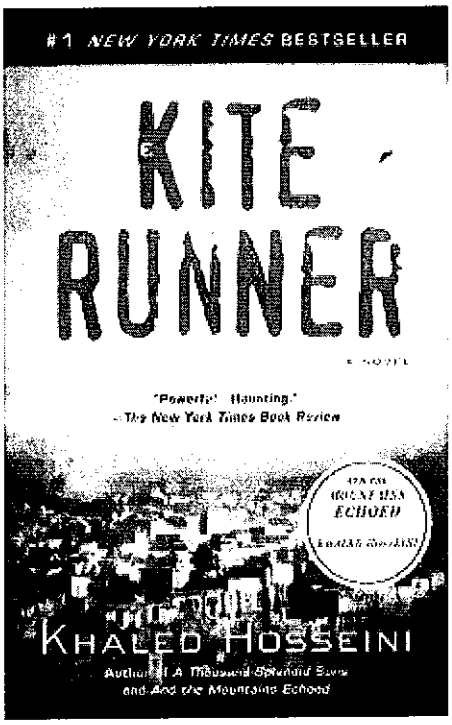
Date Received: 4/26/23 Received by: [illegible]

Reviewer Notes (if any): _____

School Materials Review Committee Meeting Date: _____ Outcome: _____

District-Level Materials Review Committee Meeting Date: (if applicable) _____ Outcome: _____

# THE KITE RUNNER




***Adult***

## Summary of Concerns:

This book contains explicit sexual activities including sexual assault and battery; prostitution involving minors and adults; explicit violence; and mild profanity.

## By Khaled Hosseini

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| 7 | He handed the cigarette to the guy next to him, made a circle with the thumb and index finger of one hand. Poked the middle finger of his other hand through the circle. Poked it in and out. In and out.<br>"I knew your mother, did you know that? I knew her real good. I took her from behind by that creek over there." The soldiers laughed. One of them made a squealing sound. I told Hassan to keep walking. "What a tight little sugary cunt she had!" the soldier was saying, shaking hands with the others, grinning. |
| 75 | Hassan lay with his chest pinned to the ground. Kamal and Wali each gripped an arm, twisted and bent at the elbow so that Hassan's hands were pressed to his back. Assef was standing over them, the heel of his snow boots crushing the back of Hassan's neck.<br>..."All I want you weaklings to do is hold him down. Can you manage that?" Wali and Kamal nodded. They looked relieved.<br>Assef knelt behind Hassan, put his hands on Hassan's hips and lifted his bare buttocks. He kept one hand on Hassan's back and undid his own belt buckle with his free hand.<br>unzipped his jeans. Dropped his underwear. He positioned himself behind Hassan. Hassan didn't struggle. Didn't even whimper. He moved his head slightly and I caught a glimpse of his face. Saw the resignation in it. It was a look I had seen before. It was the look of the lamb. |
| 77 | I stopped watching, turning away from the ally. Something warm was running down my wrist. I blinked, saw I was still biting down on my fist, hard enough to draw blood from the knuckles. I realized something else. I was weeping. From just around the corner, I could hear Assef's quick, rhythmic grunts |
| 115 | Karim cleared his throat, dropped his head. Said the soldier wanted a half hour with the lady in the back of the truck.<br>..."It's his price for letting us pass." Karim said. He couldn't bring himself to look the husband in the eye. "But we've paid a fair price already. He's getting paid good money," the husband said. Karim and the Russian soldier spoke. "He says... he says every price has a tax." |
| 116 | My mind flashed to that winter day six years ago. Me peering around the corner in the alley. Kamal and Wali holding Hassan down. Assef's buttock muscles clenching and unclenching, his hips thrusting back and forth. |
| 120 | Then he told Baba about Kamal. I caught only snippets of it: Should have never let him go alone... always so handsome, you know... four of them... tried to fight... God... took him...bleeding down there... his pants... doesn't talk anymore...just stares... |
| 255 | "There is a Talib official," he muttered." He visits once every month or two. He brings cash with him, not a lot, but better than nothing as all." His shifty eyes fell on me, rolled away." Usually he takes a girl. But not always." "And |

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| | you allow this?" Farid said behind me. He was going around the table, closing in on Zaman. "What choice do I have?" Zaman shot back. He pushed himself away from the desk. "You're the director here," Farid said. "Your job is to watch over these children." "There's nothing I can do to stop it."<br>"You're selling children!" Farid barked |

| Profanity | Count |
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| Fuck | 2 |
| Piss | 3 |
| Shit | 2 |